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U.S. Approves First 3 COVID Vaccine Injury Claims — And Pays Out a Total of $4,634.89

The Health and Human Services Administration approved its first three payments to people injured by COVID-19 vaccines — one for anaphylaxis and two for myocarditis — amounting to a total of $4,634.89.

By **Brenda Baletti, Ph.D.**

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The U.S. government approved its first three payments to people injured by COVID-19 vaccines — amounting to a total of $4,634.89.

The Health and Resources Service Administration (HRSA) vaccine injury claims report, updated monthly, shows one $2,019.55 payment for anaphylaxis and two payments — $1,582.65 and $1,032.69 — for myocarditis.

The payments were made through HRSA's Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program (CICP).

The CICP was established under the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness (PREP) Act, which protects pharmaceutical companies from liability for injuries sustained from "countermeasures," such as vaccines and medications, administered during a public health emergency.

Since 2010, when it approved its first claim, the program has compensated a total of 33 claims for vaccine injuries — but these are the first awards for COVID-19 vaccines.

"These long-awaited awards were overdue, highly anticipated and speculated upon," said Kim Mack Rosenberg, acting general counsel for Children's Health Defense (CHD). "What is remarkable is that less than $5,000 was paid — total. This is a tragedy that highlights the severe limitations of the program."

CHD Acting President Laura Bono called the payouts for myocarditis "insulting," given that mortality rates increase to 50% within five years of diagnosis.

Bono said:

> "The CICP is a pathetic, government-run program that gives complete liability protection to the very industries profiting from the COVID vaccine or product. While victims linger with their injuries, paying out-of-pocket for expenses, or at worst die, the industries run to the bank."

Since the start of the pandemic, people claiming injuries related to COVID-19 vaccines and other countermeasures submitted 11,425 requests for compensation.

Of those, only 19 have been declared eligible for compensation and are undergoing a "medical benefits review" to determine payment.

The anaphylaxis case had been pending medical benefits review since the fall of 2021, and the two myocarditis cases had been pending review since January.

During the medical benefits review, HRSA determines any costs remaining after insurance, workers' comp, disability or other reimbursements or payments.

Wayne Rohde, an expert in vaccine injury compensation, wrote on his Substack that given the "18+ months to review previous medical benefits that may have been awarded to the injured party [the anaphylaxis case], this process tells me it was a major injury that resulted in very large medical bills."

Myocarditis is a serious condition that also requires a lot of medical attention, Rohde said.

To date, there have been 1,541,275 reports of adverse events following COVID-19 vaccination submitted to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS).

How does vaccine injury compensation work? The VICP and CICP

HRSA, which operates under the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), administers two vaccine injury compensation programs: the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP) and the Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program (CICP).

The VICP is a special, no-fault tribunal housed within the U.S. Court of Federal Claims that handles injury claims for 16 common vaccines on the childhood vaccination schedule. To date, it has awarded more than $4 billion for medical bills, lost wages, lawyer fees, and pain and suffering to thousands of people for vaccine injuries.

The program does not currently cover COVID-19 vaccine injuries. Should COVID-19 vaccines be moved into the program, any injuries would be handled by the already overwhelmed VICP.

The CICP, the only program that covers COVID-19 vaccine injuries at this time, is even less equipped to deal with them, Rohde told The Defender.

"For COVID-19 vaccine-injured people, the CICP is the worst place, it's the worst option," Rohde said, "because it is not really a compensation program, it's a reimbursement program for medical costs."

The CICP allows individuals to claim compensation only for unreimbursed medical expenses — meaning those not fully reimbursed by insurance or government programs, such as Medicaid — for death and for lost wages up to $50,000.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, under the CICP:

> "Eligible individuals may be compensated for certain reasonable and necessary medical expenses and for lost employment income at the time of the injury. Death benefits may be paid to certain survivors of covered countermeasure recipients who have died as a direct result of the covered countermeasure injury.
>
> "The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is the payer of last resort. Therefore, payments are reduced by those of other third-party payers."

"There's no pain and suffering here, there's nothing," Rohde said.

Because the CICP reviews and resolves claims through an administrative rather than a judicial process, no details other than the amount of the payments have to be shared with the public.

"It's designed to be very convoluted, very non-transparent," Rohde said.

The CICP was known for its cumbersome claims process and low likelihood of success for claimants even before the pandemic. Since then, it has seen unsustainable growth.

According to HRSA's numbers, of the 11,941 claims filed with the CICP since 2010, nearly 11,000 of them are still under review.

The HRSA budget for COVID-19 vaccine injury compensation will increase in fiscal year 2023 — from approximately $1 million to $5 million — and its budget for staffing and contractors will jump from $5 million to $9.5 million.

How would COVID vaccine injury compensation change under the VICP?

For vaccine injury claims to be covered under the VICP rather than the CICP, three requirements must be met:

1. The vaccine needs to be recommended for routine administration for children and/or pregnant women.
2. It needs to have an excise tax imposed upon it through the legislature.
3. There needs to be a notice of coverage published in the federal record.

The COVID-19 vaccine was added to the childhood immunization schedule earlier this year — but the next two steps in the process have yet to be completed and public health officials have not indicated when this might happen.

The National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine met for three days last month — behind closed doors, except for a two-hour public comment period — to review the epidemiological, clinical and biological evidence on adverse events associated with COVID-19 vaccines.

The committee will generate a report that will be used to add injuries to the federal Vaccine Injury Table, which lists known adverse events associated with existing vaccines.

This list helps the VICP and the CICP decide whether to compensate vaccine injury claims.

At the National Academies meeting, Professor Renee Gentry, director of the Vaccine Injury Litigation Clinic at The George Washington University Law School, told the committee the stakeholders that created the VICP — vaccine manufacturers, lawyers and parents — set it up to be petitioner-friendly, informal, generous and non-adversarial.

But instead, she said, HHS has been "unrelenting" in its opposition to recognizing vaccine injuries.

"I believe the VICP as it exists today would be unrecognizable to those original stakeholders," she said.

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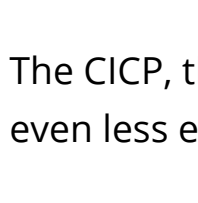

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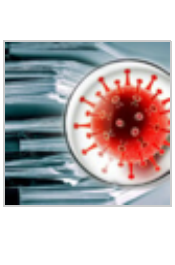

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Peggy Nieto
5 days ago
The amounts paid are a miserable pittance of the total impact to the lives of the vaccine injured. Slightly over a million for myocarditis that will impact your activities the rest of your life? That is absolutely shameful.
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Sad and Confused → Peggy Nieto
5 days ago
It wasn't 1 million. It was slightly over $1,000. I read it wrong the first time too!
""These long-awaited awards were overdue, highly anticipated and speculated upon," said Kim Mack Rosenberg, acting general counsel for Children's Health Defense (CHD).
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Harvey Merriam → Peggy Nieto
5 days ago
These cases need prosecutors and a grand juries, at first hundreds of them and then thousands. Hundreds or maybe thousands of criminal trials for corruption and criminal negligence. Then, once criminal convictions are obtained, millions of lawsuit cases including hundreds of class action suits. First we need governors to launch investigations, or a President with the courage to put the FBI on it!
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GarySummers → Harvey Merriam
4 days ago
Breaking 'Sharing Is Caring'
"Primary Care Providers Receive "Incentives to Push" the COVID-19 Vaccine"
Will they be held Accountable?
https://www.thegatewaypundi...

"How many Could have been Saved!"
"Gold-Standard" RCT from Gates-Funded Company 'Proves Ivermectin' Works Against COVID"
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stormcloud moon → Harvey Merriam
4 days ago
I would like to see the Nuremburg codes and rules come back into play since the dode commies ordered this. The codes are not out dated and those guilty should be held in a military trial, and held to account for 1st degree murder. That includes those enlisted soldiers forced to take this poison if they wanted to have any kind of future in the military. This has been an outright war on the American people. Enuuf said
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GarySummers → stormcloud moon
3 days ago
Breaking #Sharing Is Caring#!
"Pfizer's Crimes Against Humanity EXPOSED: '"Docs Show Pfizer Knew CLOT SHOT Caused'" HEART DAMAGE"
https://rumble.com/v2i9jwm-...

1.) Pfizer knew their vaxx didn't work, caused heart attacks, and they sold it to the public anyway.
2.)Dr. Naomi Wolf is back to talk about how 21 patients died during Pfizer's vaccine trials and the FDA never asked about it.
3.)Tens of thousands of Pfizer internal documents have been released by court order.
According to the documents, Pfizer labeled their Covid vaccine a 'failure' within a month of the rollout.
4.) More docs reveal the third most common side-effect was contracting Covid-19.
5.) "Pfizer knew in May of 2021 that 35 minors had their hearts permanently damaged with myocarditis within a week of being injected".
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magnumpi28 → GarySummers
an hour ago
But isnt he counter argument is the shot had side effetcs BUT saved millions of lives?
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GarySummers → Harvey Merriam
3 days ago
Breaking #* 'Sharing Is Caring*'#
If Dr. Naomi Wolf is Correct?, hopefully RFK.Jr, CHD, ICAN, Etc., will call for 'Exigent Congressional Hearings' on the Evidence she presents in her talk to "Hillsdale College'? CCP Bio-Weapon Jabs?
"Dr. Naomi Wolf nails it in this recent Speech to Hillsdale College!"
If the Evidence she has that conjecturally alleges that CCP Red China Proxy Company's made the Pfizer Bio-Weapon Jab?
That we are now living in a potential new conjectural 'Hybrid War Era scenario', with the CCP? Conjectural "Intentional Killing Of US Citizens' by the Jab"??

That Pfizer is a German, and a CCP Red China Company her presentation?
If she is correct than the CCP, has out maneuvered the USA Dept Of Defense?
Dr. Wolf., "Communist Red China has two Vaccine Company's in USA, 'Springfield' MA, and 'Princeton', NJ!"
The Sec. Of Defense and the Joints Chief's of Staff they should
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motor_mouth111 → GarySummers
a day ago
How about a 'War Crimes Tribunal' like Nuremberg for falsifying efficacy and violating fundamental medical experimentation standards that have been in place since 1950? Big Pharma and its ally, the AMA are nothing but a bunch of quacks!
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rascallyrabbit → Harvey Merriam
4 days ago
First, you have to clean out the FBI of anyone associated with the scum behavior we have seen from these people. They and the DOJ and DOD are loathsome.
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GarySummers → rascallyrabbit
3 days ago
"They need to be going after Red China, and Pfizer!"
Jabs are Red China Bio-Weapon on US! Pfizer & Red China Connection!
Breaking* 'Sharing Is Caring' ****Breaking**** 'Dr. Naomi Wolf'
If you watch any Video Today watch this one, '#34:36 MIN Mark' & Forward it get Very Interesting'.
Pfizer is a German and Chinese CCP Company, and Basically Communist China made the Vaccine., Boosters. Now we know why CCP, they did not give it to their people! It is a Bio-Weapon meant to Harm Westerners! She Explains who, and why, were Mandated!

"Communist China has two Vaccine Company's in USA, Springfield MA, and Princeton, NJ!"
'Jabs must be stopped Immediately!'

"Naomi Wolf - What's in the Pfizer Documents? - Full Hillsdale College Speech"
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motor_mouth111 → Harvey Merriam
a day ago
Pfizer and Moderna need to be sued out of existence, along with their DOD enablers...
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tuffone3 → Peggy Nieto
4 days ago
Big pharma deserves to be bankrupted and hospitals and doctors need to be held accountable.
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maxwell smart
5 days ago
$1,582.65 and $1032.69 — for myocarditis. Are you kidding me? permanent damage to the heart and they pay so little. Really pisses me off.
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Wayne Rohde → maxwell smart
5 days ago
They did not pay for the injury. This program only pd for unreimbursed medical expenses. It is very apparent that the damage to you, your injury is not their responsibility. Bastards!!
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GarySummers → Wayne Rohde
4 days ago
Big 'Private Law Firms' that may have a Family Member Adversely Impacted?
Maybe some Justice that way?
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Sopater
5 days ago
They are much more inclined to spend the money on propaganda than on reparations.
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Kim
5 days ago
How insulting is this to these individuals. Approx $1600. for what is now a life long problem.
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Patriot***
5 days ago
That is a total disgrace! They must continue to fight it!!! They didn't just get a minor issue! These are life threatening and disabling health problems.
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Polly Green
5 days ago
Comedian JP Sears explains how the approval process works. (It's very funny, and insightful.)
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jprexena
5 days ago
Covers the deductible, WTF?? Talk about shameful and a big slap in the face. Take the Billions $$ going to Ukraine, including NASA, and Israel, and give it to those Vaxx injured for starters. No amount of $$ will ever replace your health and sanity. All because these order followers followed these draconian policies that suit control and depopulation agenda. Ignorance is beyond no defense.
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Clare Goldsberry
5 days ago
A pittance! How sad! What will my son-in-law's 12-year-old nephew get for having his heart ruined at such a young age? What is that worth? Several million people have been vax injured and they need to be paid quickly and it needs to be more than a few paltry dollars for a life ruined. This was an experiment forced on the population against federal law (21 US Code 360bbb-c) and no one can be coerced or mandated to participate in a medical experiment!
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tony
5 days ago
Hello, we're from the government and we're here to help you!
Hahahahahahahahahahahahaha
There was PLENTY of evidence in early 2020 before the death jabs ever came out to decide not to trust the government. Sorry
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magnumpi28 → tony
5 days ago
Like what????
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NorCal Vicious → magnumpi28
5 days ago
Well, first thought that comes to mind is "Two weeks, just to flatten the curve…" or remember this "No, you do not need to wear a mask" then it was "You must wear a mask", then it was "One mask isn't enough, wear two!" …? Or even - social distance, and stay indoors! Except while burning down towns during peaceful riots and protesting! Human touch, Vitamin D from the sun, and regular exposure to various germs, viruses and bacteria's are all detrimental to thriving human life and strong immune systems, yet, we were told to refrain from all of those things by socially distancing and staying indoors…Those are the first 3 things that come to mind…
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SYakoban
5 days ago
It covers the deductible???
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donegoing2002 → SYakoban
5 days ago
Not even that
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Ektor57
5 days ago
Payouts should be 100 times that at least...for starters.
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THanX-1138
5 days ago
Of course, the med. ins. industry should NOT be holding the bag on this, because it will only result in massive increases in premiums to cover their costs. That only hurts consumers and employers, not the gov., big pharma and others who are actually responsible for this atrocity. Those are the only two parties that should be held liable: the pharmaceuticals and the gov. agencies that pushed this poison.
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Charisse Rose
5 days ago
Those payments are an insult!
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Nancy Bryson
5 days ago
The U.S. federal government doesn't pay for anything. The U.S. taxpayer pays for everything, either directly through tax revenues, or indirectly, in that the govt just "prints" up the money, metaphorically speaking....causing inflation. Inflation is expansion of the money supply. Meaning that the value of the dollar is less and less. So, either directly or indirectly, the citizenry gets the bill.
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tammy → Nancy Bryson
4 days ago
The excise tax you pay for each vaccine dose you get (I think around 75 cents) is the money collected and used to pay for vaccine injuries. No money comes from the pharmaceutical companies for injuries.
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Wayne Rohde → tammy
4 days ago
The excise tax or levy submitted monthly by Pharma to the US Treasury is $0.75 per antigen for the traditional vaccines such a Hep B. Uncle Sam takes 25% off the top for an admin fee and places the balance $0.595 cents into the trust fund. Another scam
As for COVID-19 vaccines, there is no trust fund. All admin costs and compensation awards are funded by an appropriation by Congress. This is your federal tax dollars.
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Nancy Bryson → tammy
4 days ago
Thank you for that more precise information. But, around here in my location, the inoculated do not pay any excise tax, because the shots are "free". Free at Walmart, Walgreens, local branches of the state public health department, etc. etc. So, as I say, it is the *taxpayer* paying for the vaccine program. And, the taxpayer will also be paying for the dubious "health care" needed to restore the vaccine-injured to health.
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Ricky Ricardo
5 days ago edited
That is beyond disgusting. It's a slap in the face for the injured...talk about adding **insult** to injury! There is **no justice** in this world anymore! What do they get if they die...a red rose on their coffin?
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donegoing2002
5 days ago
What do they propose to pay for the deaths? I think at least $20 million for each fatality.
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Bonnie Gillmore → donegoing2002
5 days ago
They'll probably have that revert to the social security $255 "death benefit".
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Bonnie Gillmore → donegoing2002
5 days ago
They'll probably bounce that back to social security for their paltry $250 "death benefit".
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pishposhpash
5 days ago
UsForThem took Pfizer to the regulator over misleading information on the BBC about Covid vaccination safety for children – and we won.
https://www.investmentwatch...
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ME MCC
2 days ago
REPEAL THE PREP ACT!!! Hold Big Pharma responsible for what they want put into people's bodies!!!
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ME MCC
2 days ago
This absolutely MAKES ME SICK TO MY STOMACH!!! SHAME on them! Their very lives were impacted and changed forever and that's all they got?? WHO is in charge of these payouts???
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BarbaraCharis
5 days ago
The vaccine manufacturers have made billions...and our government refuses to make them pay for injuries and deaths??? Get rid of this CICP set up...the industry needs to pay. It is preposterous that a situation like this exists. Congress must reverse The National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986, which created this travesty...or there is no justice for the injured

and dead. Congressmen who take bribes from lobbyists to pass bills like the NCVIAct should all be held liable - and should have lost their positions. This scenario is ongoing, because many in Congress have no ethics; and have betrayed and continue to betray the trust of the people who elected them. The only way to handle it...ban lobbyists from Washington, D.C. Lobbyists for corporations have corruptied our legal system by influencing the way Congress votes. The people's votes didn't count. This should have never have been permitted to occur.

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jann ➦ BarbaraCharis
4 days ago edited

Could it be the gov't is happy to see so many injuries and deaths? Apparently we need to be better gov't watchdogs and also lobby to change our laws.

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chris
5 days ago edited

it's all a dehumanizing criminal JOKE! If the injected victims were dead, these 'reimbursement' pennies would not even pay for a decent funeral! For a damaged heart there is NO PRICE out there which could help to reverse the injury.

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jann ➦ chris
4 days ago

The only way to get paid for a funeral is to allow a hospital to convince the family to change the death certificate to COVID. More "COVID" . . . more shots . . . more "COVID" deaths . . .

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Amy Hoffman
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